

and Citizens Concerned with Human Dignity. For years, she organized Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day events and continues participating on the Juneteenth Committee. Opal is also very active in her church and devoted to her family.

Betty Randels, recipient of the Commissioners' Pioneer Award, first demonstrated her pioneering spirit in the late sixties when she fought to change the local jail system which housed juvenile offenders in the same cells with hardened criminals. In 1976, Betty chaired Tarrant County Child Care '76. More recently, she has helped charter the Tarrant County Child Welfare Board and been very active in numerous volunteer organizations, including the Fort Worth Girls Club.

Dr. Jennifer Giddings-Brooks, principal of the Edward J. Brisco Elementary School and education advocate, will be recognized as co-winner of the education award. She uses her personal motto, "All Children Can Learn," to inspire excellence in teaching, creative problem solving, and social intervention. Dr. Brooks served as a Fort Worth delegate to the President's Summit on America's Future and participated in the Carnegie Foundation Task force on Learning.

Dr. Delores Simpson will be the other recipient of the education award. Dr. Simpson who maintains that you can do whatever you set your mind to, has been honored by Texas Christian University as Outstanding Educator from the School of Education. She is an inspiration to her students, her grown children, and the numerous organizations in which she volunteers, such as the Presbyterian Night Shelter Board, Metropolitan YMCA of Fort Worth Board, and the FWISD Stay in School Task Force.

As Director of the legal department for the Tarrant County Domestic Relations Office, Pamela Dunlop-Gates has argued on behalf of hundreds of children and is well deserving of the law award. She is very active among community organizations such as the Metroplex Black Chamber of Commerce and the United Negro College Fund. She is also cofounded the Tarrant County Black Women Lawyers Association's Uncontested Divorce Clinic. She has been a strong voice for our community.

Una Bailey and Rosemary Hayes will be recognized in the volunteer category. Ms. Bailey is active in the Parent-Teacher Association, Fort Worth Independent School District, Tarrant Area Food Bank, and numerous other organizations. Ms. Hayes volunteered more than 500 hours at St. Joseph Hospital, was treasurer of Patrons for the East Regional Library and is active in numerous other civic organizations. Both Una and Rosemary contribute daily to the quality of life in Fort Worth.

The award winners for outstanding women in the workplace are Donna R. Parker and Carrie Jean Tunson. Donna is executive vice president of urban development for the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce where she manages aviation, transportation, environmental, and quality work force development. Donna has been very important to the economic development of Fort Worth. She is active in Citizens Crime Commission of Tarrant County, United Way, Metropolitan Fort Worth, United Negro College Fund, and many other groups. Ms. Tunson, dean of continuing education and economics at Tarrant County Junior College [TCJC] Southeast Campus, has worked to achieve a spirit of cooperation be-

tween TCJC and minority citizens. Ms. Tunson's community service includes Senior Citizens Services of Greater Tarrant County, Arlington Black Chamber of Commerce, Asian American Organization, and other organizations.

Norma Jean Ramsey Johnson, associated with Tarrant County's Nutrition Program for more than 25 years, has improved the lives of more than 8,000 families and is a long-time volunteer. Ms. Johnson teaches nutrition, food safety, healthful preparation, and management skills. She is the health care award winner.

Mr. Speaker, in 1857, C. Nestell Bovee said, "Next to God, we are indebted to women, first for life itself, and then for making it worth having." These 12 women have certainly contributed to making life in Fort Worth worth having.

I commend to the American people the examples of these outstanding women. They have made their friends, their family, and their Nation very proud.

HONORING RABBI ADAM D. FISHER

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Rabbi Adam D. Fisher, a devoted man of God and community who is celebrating his 25th year of service to the Temple Isaiah in Stony Brook, Long Island, NY.

The entire Three Village community, indeed all of Long Island, has been enriched by Rabbi Fisher's lifelong service to the spiritual growth and human needs of his fellow man. A widely renowned theologian, an accomplished poet and writer, and a tireless community activist, Rabbi Adam Fisher has earned the love and respect of all who know him and his good work.

The 375 families who comprise Temple Isaiah's reform congregation are indeed blessed to have Adam Fisher as their rabbi. During his tenure, the congregation has tripled in size, and the Temple has added a school of religion, a sanctuary, and a social hall. With Rabbi Fisher's leadership, and the faith and good work of his congregation, Temple Isaiah has grown to become the spiritual heart of the Three Village community.

Among the many good men and women of God, few enjoy Rabbi Fisher's renown as a Biblical scholar. His stellar reputation as a servant of God and man is demonstrated by the multitude of local, regional, and national organizations that he devotes himself to. The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Suffolk Board of Rabbis, and the Three Village Interfaith Association.

So devoted is Rabbi Fisher to spreading God's word, he has worked to develop his skills as a writer and poet, authoring two books of liturgy and publishing numerous short stories and articles in a variety of Jewish and literary journals. His Biblically-based children's stories, which he often weaves into his family services, inspire the youngest among us to seek the Lord's way in their life. Rabbi Fisher's heartrendering, sensitive and insightful poems have been collected in two books: "Rooms, Airy Rooms" and "Dancing Alone."

His work has also been published in the Manhattan Poetry Review, Long Island Quarterly. In 1990, Rabbi Fisher garnered the Jeanne Voege Poetry Prize at the Westhampton Writers Festival.

As someone who is truly blessed to call Rabbi Adam Fisher a personal friend, I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in honoring Rabbi Adam D. Fisher for his 25 years of devoted service to God and the Temple Isaiah. Congratulations, Rabbi Fisher. Mazel tov.

THE CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INCIDENT

HON. TOM CAMPBELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, this past week, I was saddened and angry to read of the White House's and Democratic National Committee's further crass attempts to sell Presidential access and perks for political gain. In this case, the administration reached new lows: pressuring political contributions from native American tribes. Specifically, it has been revealed that the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma gave \$107,000 to the Democratic National Committee in the expectation of receiving favorable treatment by the White House in a land transaction.

No one needs to be reminded of the sad and tragic history of U.S.-native American relations. The history of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes is an especially tragic one, which makes the latest revelation seem all the more insensitive.

The Cheyenne people are originally from the Great Lakes area, while the Arapaho originate in present day Minnesota. By the mid-1800's, a portion of the two tribes had migrated to southern Colorado. It was there in 1864, at a place called Sand Creek, that the First Colorado Cavalry under the command of Col. John M. Chivington, slaughtered about 150 peaceful Indians, killing men, women, and children indiscriminately. Today, the massacre at Sand Creek stands as one of the most shameful acts perpetrated by the U.S. Government against its own indigenous peoples.

It's also shameful that today, tribes feel that the only way they can be heard in Washington, DC is to buy access. In addition to the \$107,000 contribution, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes were also allegedly told by Vice President GORE's fundraiser, Nathan Landow, that they needed to hire him to lobby their cause successfully. It's an outrage that the White House political operation thinks nothing of focusing their money-raising apparatus upon one of the most historically vulnerable minorities in our society. One hundred thousand dollars may not seem like a lot of money to big-time contributors, but for tribal leaders who are trying to seek economic and cultural self-determination, the sum could always be better spent on economic development and job training to fight unemployment which hovers around 50 percent on many Indian reservations. On the Cheyenne-Arapaho reservation, unemployment stands at 62 percent.

I don't blame the tribes for their actions. I blame the White House and Democratic National Committee for fostering a culture of